ADVICE TO YOUNG MEN

By The Arbiter.

NOTE,-The Arbiter will be glad to which are piquant at first, but all of answer any question of a social nature which bring notoriety rather than reputathat may be submitted. Such ques-tion should be addressed to The Ar-

concluded to grant the request made by a ored clothes, and all that, and excite only number of my correspondents to publish admiration: but while you are winning that end asked the young beneath, had been in correspondence with this dishad been in correspondence with the correspo of general interest. He writes, transmit- society makes and unmakes man. I don't ting the following letter, written to him mean by society the little fashionable set When he reached his majority:

view of my godchild. I think you will is conformity. admit that I have taken the duties of godfather rather seriously, and that though fate has separated us for long though fate has separated us for long though fate has separated us for long careful for graciousness. It is the long in Paris that low neck dresses will be worn brought with her a large clothes basket with her a large clothes believe with her a large clothes believe with her a large clothes believe w

"If you will search the pages of history you will find that all the big men in the personages. women or Amazons, but I mean women of force, determination, and purpose who do the work at hand with all the strength and wisdom there is in her and do not seek for other fields while there is anything to be conquered in the one where they are placed. This reaching out of women for new lives is all very well, but those who do it constantly reminds.

en, so they will not take this amiss—may do her work, but she does it roughly, finishes it, puts it away and then her ceaseless energy demands something new on which to expend her talent, while the devoted wife and home-maker is like the educational victorian youths could adopt, should adopt for speed in everything seems to be our national vice, and speed we will have no matter what the cost in our railroads, motor cars, money gerting.

"I could give you thousands of mottoes, but the one I set down here is one that adopt should adopt, should adopt should adopt. Since I wrote to you about what the cost in our railroads. Motor cars, money gerting. it, puts his soul into its ornamentation, polishing, working out every little detail to perfection, with the result that future generations read his name lovingly as one who gave all there was in him. This is a digression and now back to our mut-

"A father gives much to a boy, a you fear you may have lost through being constantly in the shadow of her petnot only looks up to and reverences hi to protect and care for her and so, bea fatherless lad is apt to attain maturity before those of his companions who are more happily placed. Needless to tell you, for your life at college and your few excursions into the world have shown you how much the eternal feminine has to do in a man's life. I shall, therefore, only touch upon that topic, for your inter-course with your mother has already taught you what your attitude should be toward them, what your point of view. No man who has been brought up by a good mother ever fails in his treatment of women.

"Kippling has written a story called 'In the Pride of His Youth,' if I rememrightly, and if you have not read this story, 'pray do.' It begins by saying that every puppy must eat his own soap. The application is obvious. You reme ber when you went to college that I told you what thing you would want to do and just what would happen if you did them, and you will remember the contrite letter I received from you in your junior year deploring the fact that young people could not benefit by the experience of old people, which is altogether ridiculous, be cause if young people could benefit by the experience of old people and conduct themselves after the fashion of old age there would be no need for us ancients and we might as well be chloroformed, as Dr. Osler facetiously remarked at the din-Oxford. Poor Osler, he knocked down a hornet's nest with that remark, and the insects it contained have been buzzing and stinging him ever since.

"Now let me digress here long enough to advise you never to make a facetious remark, except in the society of your peers, your intellectual peers, of course and people whom you are quite sure wil not take you seriously, lest you meet with Osler's unhappy fate. Not one of us who heard that jocose remerk thought it would ever be repeated; but lo! it has been worked up into an 'Osler theory.

"This letter, my dear Jack, is very much like a schoolgirl's essay, jumping from point to point, but now I am going to begin seriously to lay down for you a few rules, which, if they do not bring success, will, at least, bring happiness, and that is really more important than success. I dislike to be trite, but a failure is sometimes better and greater than a success. I am going to ask you first to endeavor to avoid the faults of your

"A great philosopher has said that 'water shares the good or bad qualities of the strata through which its flows, and man those of the climate in which he is born.' Believe me, there is no nation, even the most civilized, that has not some fault peculiar to itself, and it is a triumph of cleverness to correct in one's self such national failings, or even to hide them I have no wish to criticise my country, but I should say that the tendency to boast was the greatest fault of its peo-ple-to boast of its greatness, which, if it is real, is evident to all, and needs no exploiting; so cut out of your vocabulary that 'America is the greatest country in the world.' If it is the greatest country

the fact will not long remain a secret. Really great things need no heralds. Family fallings should also be guarded against, for there is nothing that so handicaps one in the battle of life as some of the traits he has inherited, and the sooner he recognizes them, and so is on his guard against them, the better. In my opinion, a man is hypnotized by the peculiarities of his family. He feels that he must walk in the same way as his father, his grandfather, and his greatgrandfather, whether the way is good or bad; but let him start out once firmly on a new path, widely divergent from that his ancestors followed, and he will find. after the first bit of the way, that he can "You live in a time of fads, in a coun try of fads, in a city of fads, some of !

tread it quite as firmly as the old one.

have 'made haste slewly' is responsible cepted. for all I have been able to achieve and SOCIAL QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

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Answer-To your first question, emyou may scorn them or how senseless it who leave them are entering the house.

you may receive, no matter for how inplace to live in. In case this pleases as and that was the society that he had at or left in person either a few days before well as the previous one I may be tempt-that moment to please. It was not until or a few days after the tea. It is, of ed to give you another. Here is the letter: he became great that he allowed his ec-"Dear Jack: And so you are twenty-one to-morrow and yet it seems only vester-day that you were a red little thing in your cradle on whom your father looked follow than to lead: to lead to lister and learn the allowed his ect. The following the former course is perfectly permissible as there are frequently reasons why remember that at your age it is better to follow than to lead: to listen and learn the allowed his ect. your cradle on whom your father looked with jubilant, your mother with tender eyes, when I was ushered in for the first dropped out of society.

but those who do it constantly reminds tain, not to instruct them. Truth is for Answer-No; it would seem the most form, where it remained undisturbed. but those who do it constantly reminds me of the ordinary workman as opposed the few, it is, too strong a medicine for natural thing in the world for them to the skilled artisan. The suffragette, you know I love wom- in the popular majority then he silent. In fact, such an experience appeals to The "I could give you thousands of mottoes, Arbiter as likely to be a delightful one.

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picnic that governs any other social af- from a magazine of the same future date fair which brings pe ple together. What But already the London Times has pubthe fashion in picnics. There is no fashion in pienics, and the more simple and chines. tion. Avoid them as you would a pest. teas. Will you kindly tell me if it is proper to tion should be addressed to The Arbiter, care The Washington Herald.

It does not pay to be bizarre or queer in this world until you have earned your tirade

The letter from the diplomat resident in crown of laurels. When that is accomplained and parties. There are many places near plished, you can set the style, you can affect low collars, loose ties, queer collars, and all that, and excite only one clothes, and all that, and excite only one period or to one perio vicinity of Cabin John Bridge, and farther on are the beautiful Great Falls. If your father bids you spare no expense, send your servants ahead with the luncher on which you can make as fine as postion which you can make a another from the same person, and to dress and manner, no matter how much leave cards at a reception, except those send your servants ahead with the lunch tains almost anything, even hot dishes will take its place. are provided for, but it is better for the then he reached his majority:

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The mean by society the little rasmonable set to which your birth and wealth gives you admittance, but the great congregation of the men who form cities and counties are an action and counties and counties are actions and counties and Dear Arbiter: It is a great privilege to grant the request you ask, and I feel tries. Therefore, until you can dominate you should write a note giving some good when I allow them to read the words of wisdom of my sage old friend. If we, all of us, we men, could be like him the forms, we men, could be like him the forms, we men, could be like him the forms, we men, could be a hetter and happier will be a hetter and happier which has be a hetter and happier to a rebel." Is a uinque figure among you should write a note giving some good cold and the ubiquitions sandwish. Cakes, American writers. He is a "boy" of about firty years, an American of German of the house and cannot attend, you should write a note giving some good cold and the ubiquitions sandwish. Cakes, American writers. He is a "boy" of about firty years, an American of German of the men who form cities and countries. Therefore, until you can dominate you should write a note giving some good cold and the ubiquitions sandwish. Cakes, American writers. He is a "boy" of about firty years, an American of German of the men who form cities and countries. Therefore, until you can dominate you should write a note giving some good cold and the ubiquitions sandwish. Cakes, American writers. He is a "boy" of about firty years, an American of German of the stand of the corner of the stand of the house and cannot attend, you should write a note giving some good of about of the mose writers. He is a "boy" of about firty years, and there should be a generous supply of lemonade or fruit punch, plenty of the Red Firs, &c. Illustrated by Frances at the corner of the mose of the entire afternoon, and of course, and there should be a generous supply of lemonade or fruit punch, plenty of the Red Firs, &c. Illustrated by Frances at the corner of the mose of the mose of the mose of the mose of the words of about first years, and there should be a generous supply of the note of the mose of the boy of the mose of the mose of the words of the words of the words of the words of

WASHINGTON SKETCHES.

By AUBREY D'AURAND.

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of the automobile herdles by depicting in George Meredith. glowing colors most wenderful picture of the distinguishing traits of her son.

"You know, Archie is one of the most devoted wife and home-maker is like the skilled verkman who fashions his clay or wood or tortoise-shell, whatever his medium, and then refines it and laborates hit, puts his soul into its ornamentation.

5. Question: Since I would to you about what allow it, he would read all the time. It is almost impossible to get him to go out third was ordered only two weeks after the publication, and the precious stone, set in the silver sea. The May number of Putnam's will by Susan Glaspell. A second edition was allow it, he would read all the time. It is almost impossible to get him to go out third was ordered only two weeks after the publication, and the silver sea. The May number of Putnam's will by Susan Glaspell. A second edition was of Europe. Never for a moment does the interest in this strong, amazing story precious stone, set in the silver sea. And relay with the other boys. He is the publication of the public possible to get him to go out the great capitals and watering places.

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gasp for breath, but it did not deter the fother of the prodigy from launching forth into peans of inordinate praise.

You know, every one says he takes after his mother. He is so generous if I didn't watch him, he would give away everything he possesses, and he gets along so well with everybody, and one thing I like about it is that all the men admire him, and so many persons have remarked how much he takes after his mother in every way. He is so gentle manly too. You know, it is so very difficult to find a gentleman any more. And Archie is so refined and polite, but every body says he gets all his good traits from

Then the herdie gave a jolt as it ran into a hole in the asphalt pavement.

He entered the Le Droit Park car as it was making its daily trip from nowhere to the jumping off place at the river bank. He was a neatly dressed chap of not more than twenty-five, and, from the change in the atmosphere which marked his arrival, the man sitting next to him knew intuitively that the young fellow had recently taken a Carrie Nation exciter to abate his thirst.

The man at his side was unknown to him, neither was his neighbor acquainted with him, but that fact was not considered of sufficient importance to hinder the young man from opening the conver-

"I've got an awful headache," was the preamble. "I got home at 5 o'clock and found a note from my wife telling me that she had taken the baby out for a Of course, this was news to the recipient of the information, as he was not acquainted with the census returns of the family of the man-without a-wife. "Yes, sir, I've got the sweetest baby in town, and my wife left me a note, and she said she would be back in time to get dinner, so I took a nap, and was sound asleep when the janitor of the flat where I live woke me to tell me that my wife had 'phoned him to tell me that she would not be home for some time, and for me to cook my own dinner. Well, you know I'm not going to do that, so I'm going down town to get my dinner. I guess when I eat something my head-

ache will get better."

His newly-found confidant expressed the hope that it would improve, and when the car reached a down-town corner, Mr. Young-man-without-his-dinner staggered

Question-How was his head the next

.... He boarded a get-on-or-off-at-either-end car the other morning as it was going down Fourteenth street, and stood on the front platform. He would have entered the car, only there were several hundred human sardines already enjoying the comforts of inside standing room seats, and as the car remained immovable the following conversation ensued between the front-platform-standee and the chauf-

"Please get inside. Passengers are not allowed to stand on the front platform." "There is no room inside, so there is no place for me to go unless I get up on the

to me. The company says I must not run my car while any one is standing out-"All right, then; let the car stand her all day. I'm not in a hurry, and I'm no going to get into that jam. If you wan you can put me off, but otherwise I re

"Well, that don't make any difference

methodical southern course. Prom the Hamilton (Canada). Spectator.

The Czar—I will build two big battle

And then the car resumed its slow as

John Bull-I will build four. The Czar-I will build eight.
John Bull-I will build sixteen. The Czar-Let us have peace.

right where I am."

LITERARY NOTES.

Writing from Rome to a friend in enjoy. There are many other things that a Question: Is there any etiquetic to be ob. America, Rudyard Kipling says that the I would like to say to you, but my letter served at a picnic? I am giving one and I want. Wrights are ahead of his story "With America, Rudyard Kipling says that the has already grown beyond its limits, and they must wait for another time, until then my good wishes follow you in all that you may undertake, but remember always 'Festina lente.'

to have it conducted after the very latest style, Papa says that I can do as I choose without thought of expense. I never gave a pienic before. If you would not mind telling me where to go and just what to take, I should be very much obliged, by the way, wrote supplementary matter for this story in just what to take, I should be very much obliged, by the way of "Aerial Regulations," "Another way of "Aerial Regulations, swers to Correspondents, Book Reviews, "Affectionately your friend and well Answer-The same conduct governs a and Advertisements," supposedly taken you mean to ask about, perhaps, is as to lished twice a full page of actual advertisements of dirigibles and flying ma-

made no trumps.

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The death of Swinburne took place five though fate has separated us for long periods, I have, since you'lost your dear father, endeavored to stand in his stead. In one of your letters you recently bemoaned the fact that you had been denied a man's counsel and companionship nied a man's counsel and companionship while a surly exterior makes of the kind-like to know what is the correct thing.

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Owing to the unfeasibility of deposition of protective system, "The Fate of into laundry and a smile of that made the electric lights be less manly in his ideas than one who had been brought up more or less with men. In this, my dear fellow, you are entirely wrong.

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Frederick A. Stokes Company has anhealthy, he sometimes catches a cold, but ly favorable notices have come from he gets rid of it in no time. You know, he just throws them off as easy as anyTHE WORLD OF BOOKS

LITERARY GLE/ MINGS AND GOSSIP.

ness and the functions of natural ob- Mexico," by Francis MacNutt, author of

comed by some of the leading actors as an historical novel, the story hinges on will constitute the forty-second volume Bay Company from Fort Nisqually. This tage over Prescott's "Conquest"-it has story culminates in the Indian attack on

his pen has appeared every year since pearing in an enlarged form, with pref- and the mystericus, lies behind the ber-

usual complications, and moves to its story of a European crown prince and suddenly came to the authors one day an American girl, talented and beautiful. as a description of England. They had The story opens at the famous resort St. got out of their automobile to have a picnounced a third large edition of "The Moritz, in the Engadine, and is continued nic lunch on a down overlooking Ports-Glory of the Conquered," a "first novel" with brilliant pictures of life at several of the great capitals and watering places studious boys you ever saw. If I would by Susan Glaspell. As cond edition was of the great capitals and watering places view led one of them to quote to the allow it, he would read all the time. It

"Life's Day," by William Seaman Bainbridge, which Stokes published in April,

"In a Mysterious Way," by Anne War- is a manual of health for the busy man ner, author of "The Rejuveration of Aunt and woman, giving in an interesting form Mary," the "Susan Clegg' books, "An a programme for the maintenance of Original Gentleman," &c. Illustrated by good physical and mental condition in badly played.

When some one thinks you should have made no trumps.

And you have thriftily declared a spade!"

> "Fernando Cortes and His Conquest of "Bartholomew de Las Casas," editor of "Letters of Cortes," &c. In a narrative profited by all the labors of historical students since Prescott's time, and it does not at any point draw upon its imagination for either facts or coloring. Finally, it should be said, it makes as good reading as a novel.

Romance attaches to the unknown, springs from the unfamiliar, the strange, a point of view, a part of the dreams of which are always occurring on the other side of the door. "Romance is dead, the Anthony Partridge's new book, "The cave men said," &c. That romance is

The title of the new book by the Williamsons, just published by Doubleday, Page & Co., is "Set in Silver." The name The wonderful beauty of the

The May number of Putnam's will be, such a remarkably well-developed child to be popular not only with the public, pictorial interpretation of the novel, which to a certain extent, a travel and descripfor his age, and he is so fond of athletics, but with the critics, who have in many contains exceptional opportunity for illuswhich, of course, makes him so awfully cases called it "a great novel." Extremetration. interests of cosmopolitan readers. It covers incidentally such widely divergent topics as ex-President Roosevelt's trip to Africa. The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition at Seattle. "Camping Above the Yosemite Valley." "The Fascination of London," by a Londoner, and the lack of fascination of Paris for a certain fictitlous sojourner, by an American humorist; "Jane Austen at Lyme Regis," England, "The Jumping-off Place" (the lie de Brehat, off the north coast of France). and a poem of the Roman Campaign by the novelist, Eden Philipotts. The cosmopolitan atmosphere is preserved in an article reviewing some recent books dealing with life, art, and travel in Italy and neighboring lands, and in a fully illustrated description of three notable art shows in New York.

> Camille Flammarion, whose study of "Mysterious Psychic Forces," as translated into English and published in this country, set the Angio-Saxon world agog, has just startled Paris by showing that the earth has heavings such as the ocean, eight inches being the extent of the rise and fall of terra firma in every twentyfour hours. Critics point out that physicists and astronomers have known the fact for a long time, and that, if there is anything new about Flammarion's discovery, it is the statement of the amount of oscillation, which hitherto has baffled experimenters to determine. marion ascribes the discovery to Hecker, the German astronomer.

> The other afternoon in London the inimitable Anne Warner, author of "The Panther," was giving tea to a few friends when the pretty sister-in-law of Paul Thomas came in unexpectedly. She seemed nervous. It developed that she had spent the evening before with the book, after reading which she had gone to sleep and dreamed that she was to be married to a big blond gentleman. Her averse to the match and had tried to dissuade her by telling her confidentially that her flance was a lion. She didn't mind that much until presently her flance remarked, "You mustn't mind my not eating, because I only eat on Thursday." married, however, and set off in a car-riage with a coachman and a traveling rug made of pieces of fur sewed together in a pattern. The bridegroom wore a gray overcoat. The bride kept looking at him, wondering more and more acute-ly if he were really a lion. After a while he said to her, "I love you very much, and you ought not to be surprised at that fact when I remind you that this is Thursday." Then the girl had fresh shivers, and thought, "Oh, me! Oh, my!" A few moments later the carriage was stopped. She thought her end at hand. But instead her husband took the traveling rug and the coachman into the wood with him, and left her alone in the carriage. After a while he came back with the rug, looking indescribably happy and content, and drove the horses himself to their first stopping place. She peeped out at him driving and noted with horror that his gray overcoat had turned to a rich tawny yellow, a point in the narrative at which the heroine broke down over her tea and declared herself unable to continue. "Oh, there was a lot more-a lot more," she exclaimed, "it was awful! Did you ever hear of anything so awful as his coat turning yellow? I never had such a dream. I think it was the picture

> In the opinion of Emerson Hough, the author of "54-40 or Fight," the only trouble with the world is that it is all wrong. For instance, everybody goes South for a vacation in the winter time, whereas everybody ought to go North and try snowshoeing and camping out in the snow. Mr. Hough has proved scientifically that this is the only right way to do, for when he takes his vacation in that way he is the healthiest known man. Life in the city, according to Mr. Hough, is only a compromise. We endure it, but don't thrive under it. The whole theory of education in America to-day is based on the idea of getting rich and living in a city. When we are educated to get poor, live in the country, and take our vacations in the winter time and in the North, we may get on better.

THE WIDOW ated statements caused her listener to

Says Man's Loyalty to Man Is Not a Virtue, but a Necessity. By HELEN ROWLAND.

"Why," demanded the Widow, as she sank into a chair across from the Bachelor, and ordered a cup of strong tea, "can't women stand by one another as men do? Why does every woman look upon every other woman as her mortal enemy? Why can't they see that the most beautiful thing in this world is the love and loyalty of man to man?"

"What," exclaimed the Bachelor, bowing modestly across his cup, "has inspired this sudden outburst, this overwhelming tribute?" 'One hour at a woman's club," replied the Widow, bitterly. "One

hour of argument and hair-pulling and back-biting and wasted energyin which I lost four hairpins, and my reputation, and my patience, and my temper, and my respect for my sex." "Ah, well!" sighed the Bachelor, leaning back to light a cigarette. "Thank heaven we've got one virtue!"

"It isn't a virtue," 'declared the Widow scornfully. "It's a necessity."

"An expedient," explained the Widow; "a matter of reciprocity, a case of 'united we stand,' a form of honor among thieves. It's an instinct born in every man to protect his own kind from-from the other kind-our kind. If women would profit by the example they could get their rights, and their votes, and everything else on earth they wanted. If they would only tell lies for each other, instead of about each other, and fight for in

stead of against one another, man wouldn't be the ruling power in the social equation, and woman the-white slave!"

"No," sighed the Bachelor, "I suppose man would be even more 'mere' than he is. But why do you suggest that we-er-lie-"Because you can't help it!" broke in the Widew. "No man canunless he is a cad. St. Peter himself would have lied to the best woman living in order to protect her husband from her wrath. Every man constitutes himself his 'brother's keeper.' One of them has only to do something reprehensible, and then put out a distress signal, to have every other man within sight and hearing rushing to the rescue."

"Yes," agreed the Bachelor. "And a woman has only to get into trouble, or debt, or love, or prison, to have every other woman rushing to be 'in at the death." But never mind, little girl," he added, soothingly,

"Don't pay any attention to them." "I don't." wailed the Widow. "It's the little attentions they've paid me-ever since I was old enough to be spied on, and gossiped about, and guillotined that sometimes makes me feel as though Lucretia Borgia was an uncrowned saint beside me. No matter what a-an attractive woman does, it's wrong. If she marries, all the other women envy her, and if she doesn't they all scorn her; if she dresses well and gets on in society they hate her, and if she doesn't they snub her; if she is very proper they doubt her, and if she isn't very proper they cut her; if they know something about her they tell it, and if they don't they invent it. There is some bitter aloe in the heart of every woman that makes her imgaine that the only way to he successful is to step upward on the necks of all other women; that the only way to climb is by pulling others down, and nothing gives her such sense of virtue as the chance to pull her skirts aside when she passes a sister who is beyond the pale.

"Perhaps," suggested the Bachelor, "that is because the one who is beyond the pale is usually so much more attractive."

"Not at all," objected the Widow. "It's the other way round. She's put beyond the pale because she is more attractive. Did you ever notice that homely girls are always models of virtue? That's not because they are really any better, but because everything they do looks better than it would if they had straight noses and svelt figures. Sometimes I wish I had a hump-but I don't believe that even a hump would make women

like me. "Not as long as men continue to-to do so," agreed the Eachelor. "It would take a whole row of humps, and even then you'd have to blacken your teeth and wear spectacles. Every woman has got to choose which sex she will be popular with, because she can't be popular with both. The mere sight of a man will dissipate the finest and noblest friendship that ever existed between two women. And, after all, you can't blame them. We're such a rare article-"

"What!" "And so necessary-"Dear me!" "And so loyal--"

"And you know so much about each other," rejoined the Widow sarcastically, "that you have to stand together and fight each other's batties It isn't love or loyalty, after all; it's just plain fear that makes you form a hollow square and keep each other's secrets and defend each other's reputations. You don't dare desert one another or the whole mass of you would fall. But as for me, I am not afraid of any women and-sh! There's that miserable gossip, Mrs. Van Camp. I hope she won't see usoh, she has!"

"Why, Kitty, you dear thing!" exclaimed the Widow, kissing the newcomer warmly on the cheek. "Do stay and have tea with us! Mr. Travers is dying to meet you! In fact, we were just talking about you!" And the Bachelor sighed and shook his head thoughtfully as he ordered another cup of tea.





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